



Michigan GIS Users Meeting Afternoon Session

April 4, 2013

“To Sell or Not to Sell”



Welcome

To all in the room and via Phone

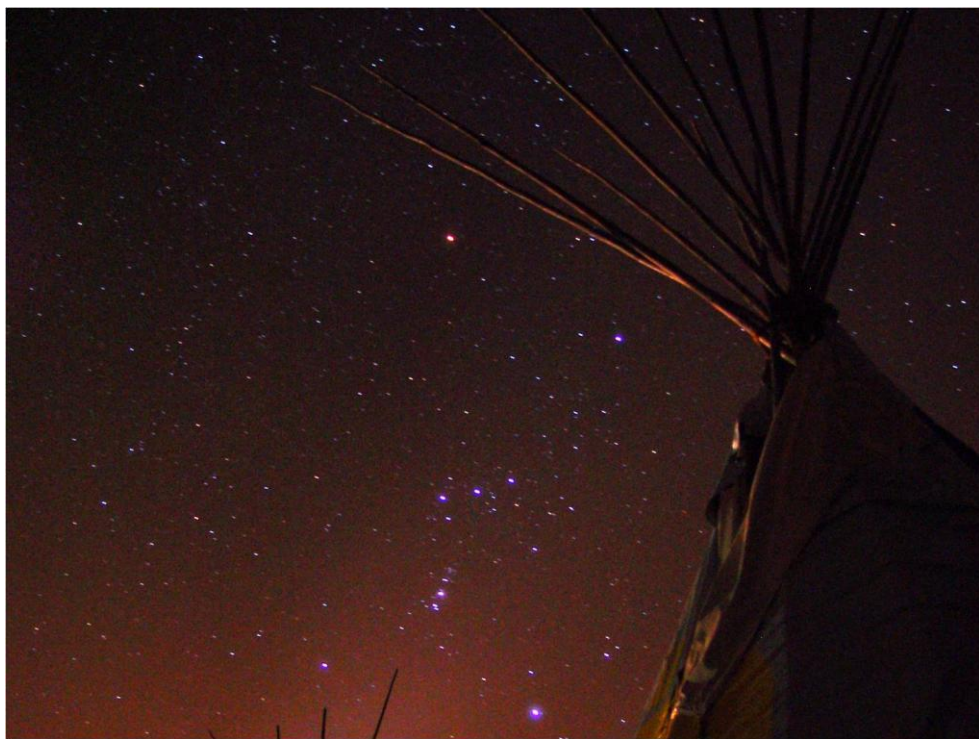
While we have all come here with differing opinions on how to fund Local Government GIS program areas, I hope we can all agree that at any level...

Authoritative GIS Data is critical
in today's workflow



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Mapping Without Direction

NOVA – LOST AT SEA “The Search for Longitude”

When the stunned Louis XIV first saw the new, highly accurate map of his diminished kingdom, he is said to have exclaimed "I have just lost more territory to my astronomers than to all my enemies."



COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR



MiCAMP 2002 & IMAGIN 2003



Sign by business parking lot on St. Clair River

Some Things
Seem Obvious...
and are still
stated.



Enhanced Access to Public Records Act

- Michigan Act 462 of 1996 (Act 550, 1999?)
- Governing Body Authorize Policy for each unit
- Unit may collect fees from a Third Party
- Recover operating expenses over time
- Does not limit public records access (FOIA)
- Does not apply if fee established by act/statute
- Shall adopt an Enhanced Access Policy!



Freedom of Information Act

- Michigan Act 442 of 1976
- Public right to inspect, copy or receive
- Written request: Sufficient to find
- Does not require creation of new record
- Does not require compilation or summary
- Fee structure
 - Lowest employee search plus actual reproduction
 - Does not apply if prepared under other act/statute

Enhanced Access Act

- Agency Shall Adopt EAP
- Agency may recover costs

Freedom of Information

- Provides access to information
- Must clearly identify record
- Record must exist
- Minimum fee 15.234 Sec 4 (4)
 - Does not apply to other acts

Others are stated but not obvious...





Office Automation Fund

- **REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**
Act 236 of 1961

600.2568 Automation fund.

- Sec. 2568.
- (1) Each county in this state shall establish an automation fund, and that fund shall receive money deposited by the register of deeds of the county in accordance with section 2567. The county treasurer shall direct investment of the fund and shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.
- (2) The county register of deeds of each county shall expend the fees credited to the fund under section 2567 subject to an appropriation under the uniform budgeting and accounting act, 1968 PA 2, MCL 141.421 to 141.440a, for upgrading technology in the register of deeds office, with priority given to upgrading search capabilities. Upgrading includes the design and purchase of equipment and supplies, and implementation of systems and procedures that allow the register of deeds to receive, enter, record, certify, index, store, search, retrieve, copy, and otherwise process by automated procedures and advanced technology documents, instruments, abstracts, maps, plats, and other items recorded and maintained by the register of deeds.



The Drain Code

- Act 40 of 1956
- Gives the County powers and responsibilities to govern legally established drainage systems within the county. One of the many duties includes maintaining existing drains and establishing or constructing new drains. To fund this work, the Drain Code provides for the enacting of a special assessment roll for county-established drains for the residents and each township, city and village affected by the drain.



STATE SURVEY AND REMONUMENTATION ACT

Act 345 of 1990

AN ACT to create a state survey and remonumentation commission and to prescribe its powers and duties; to provide for the appointment of an executive director; to provide for a contract for the services of a state geodetic advisor; to create the state survey and remonumentation fund and to provide for its use; to coordinate and implement the monumentation and remonumentation of property controlling corners in this state and coordinate the establishment of geographic information systems; and to provide for certain powers and duties of certain state and local officers and agencies.



Listing of County Requirements 4 GIS

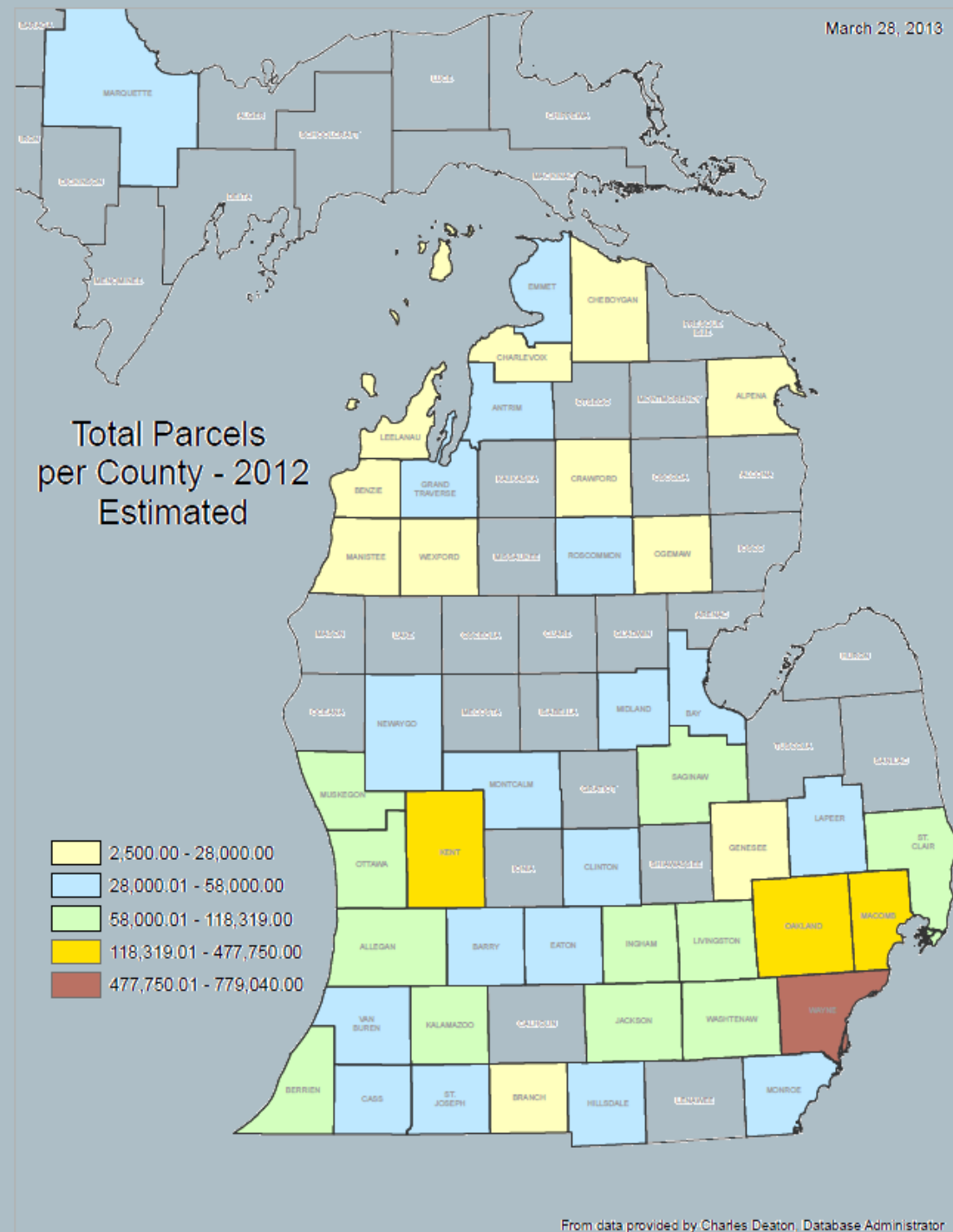
Jeroen's old list?



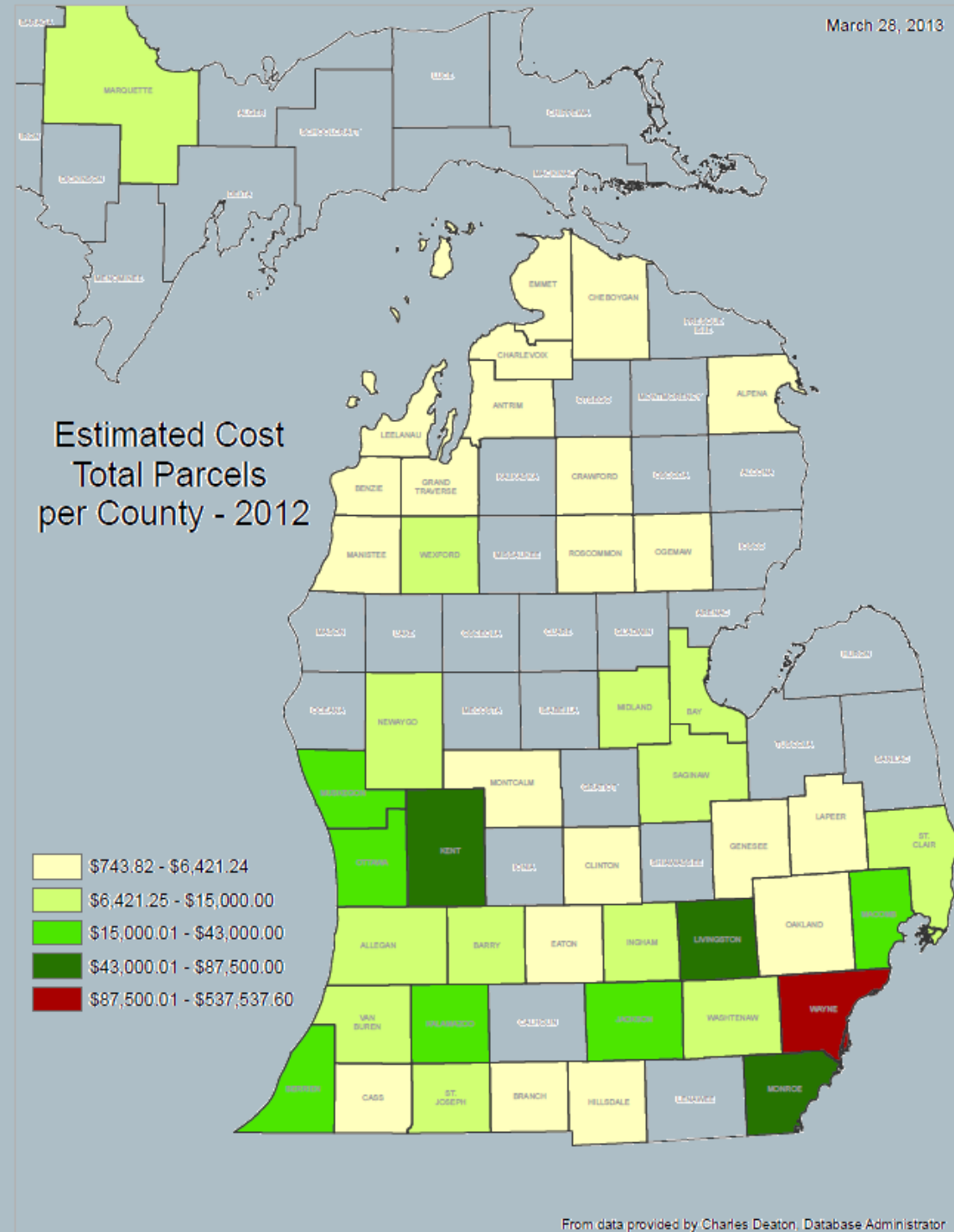
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Parcel Count



Parcel Total Cost





From data provided by Charles Deaton, Database Administrator



Sales Totals Survey

- Benzie County
 - \$2,300 in 2012.
- Monroe County
 - \$11,749.75 shapefile sales in 2012.
- Genesee County
 - \$14K map and data sales (mostly data)
- City of Portage
 - \$5,250 since 2002
 - (parcel dataset is \$750, 5 sold in 11 years)



LinkedIn Discussion

- Discussion started but nothing new...
- Ohio GIS Fee Structure Court Case...





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Topics?

Local Zoning & Planning

Local Property Assessment

Local County Delinquent Tax or Mortgage Foreclosure sales

Local Addressing or 911 Dispatch

Local Land Use, Schools Funding

(homestead/ag exemption verification)

County General Fund (Tax Predictions)

Economic Development

(Property Acquisition or Owner Contacts)

Ownership or Mass Mailing

Voter Identification to correct precincts

Watershed Planning

Drainage Assessments

FEMA Flood Hazard Impacts



Open Discussion

CSS Staff taking notes & watching Chat???

5 minutes





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Open Review & Closing

Benchmarks and Milestones

Goals of Charging Fees or Not Charging Fees

Wish List for our Collective Organizations

How does Michigan Proceed?